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SUBJECT: ALLEGED STATE RESTRICTIONS OF DEA

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1. THIS EMBASSY CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN A CLOSE AND FRUIT-FUL RELATIONSHIP WITH ITS DEA ELEMENT. THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPEAT NO INSTANCES OF THE AMBASSADOR, THE EMBASSY NARCOTICS COORDINATOR OR OTHER EMBASSY PERSONNEL VETOING OR OTHERWISE RESTRAINING DEA OPERATIONS. FOR THEIR PART, DEA OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THIS EMBASSY HAVE BEEN BOTH CIRCUMSPECT AND ALERT TO THE POLITICAL SENSITIVITIES OF THEIR OPERATIONS, AND HAVE ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED A COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE VARIOUS BELGIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT BODIES CONCERNED WITH THE NARCOTICS TRADE.

2. TWO INSTANCES THAT COME TO MIND WHERE THE EMBASSY MATERIALLY ASSISTED DEA IN ACHIEVING ITS GOALS ARE (A) THE IMPORTANT LOBBYING UNDERTAKEN BY THE EMBASSY IN 1975 TO HELP SECURE PASSAGE BY THE BELGIAN PARLIAMENT OF A TOUGH NEW DRUG LAW SOUGHT BY DEA AND (B) OUR ASSISTANCE IN PROMOTING AND ORGANIZING DEA DRUG ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTION COURSES FOR BELGIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS. CHAMBERS CONFIDENTIAL

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